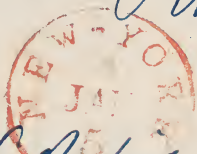


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Rev. A. A. Phelps



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*Boston,
Mass.*

circumstances when they rise. I hope you
will be here to consult & advise.

Give my regards to Mrs. Phelps,
& believe me to be Yours very truly,

A. B. Stanton

N.B. A word on personal matters. The Am. Society
^{give} me for a year & a half's salary. I have ^{not} been
there thus long, because I did not wish
to abstract funds from their operations.

I am now in debt for board & clothing
to a considerable extent, & have no where to look
for money but to the Society. A bill of \$100 came
in to day, & I could not get a dollar to pay it with.
Now, then, will not you see that the Ladies reserve what
money they may get for us, for me? I am very greatly
in need, & am the largest creditor of the Society & I am broke
& defunct unless I look out. Let them pay it over to you, &
you forward it to me, personally.

from ourselves on our integrity, hide our
fate. This difficulty lies before me.
Would not the resignation of this
Committee be the very thing to
please certain people - they thereby getting
full possession of the American
Society? This is where I stick.
I am for preserving that Society
in its integrity & on the original
foundation, as long as possible, &
not for giving it up into the hands
of men who would use it for
purposes other than those for which
it was formed. But, we must
shape our course according to the

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Pringle H. B. Stanton. ✓
New York Jan. 4. 1839

Dear bro. Phelps, I have been absent a week
in Philadelphia, or I should sooner
have replied to your letter of the 23^d ultimo.
[I hope you will be here, if possible, at
our special meeting. Grave questions as to
what course our Ec. Com. ought to pursue
in certain contingencies, will be agitated, &
we shall need all the wise counsel
in our reach. My own mind is much
perplexed as to what duty requires. I am
persuaded there must be a yielding on
the part of our constituents, or else
some of the Committee will withdraw.
I am aware that there is an effort
making to crush us—but, we must